**Research Project DRAFT 1  
Topic: Body Modification-tattoos**

**4 Guiding Questions:**

1. **Why do people get a tattoo?**

(=>History: rituals, religious meanings, permanent make up, express their self, youth rebellion, to look “cool”, gang –member, Sport-celebration etc.)

1. **What are the health issues of getting a tattoo?**

Many people do not think about the risks of getting such a body modification.

1. **Why do people get rid of a tattoo?**

(Interview with Steve Noble, who is removing his tattoo)

1. **How do people think about such body modifications nowadays?**

(Is it a disadvantage to have a tattoo?)

***Hypothesis:***

***Even though this type of body modification is becoming more popular, tattoos are looked down upon by the general community, especially by the older generation.***

OUTCOME:

* Cultural background of tattoos; history out of books  
  -> when and why first time people got “inked”(=tattooed)  
  \*reasons why the number of tattooed persons is increasing ->looking back on the beginning of the cultural customs is necessary. This is going to be the introduction to my Power Point presentation. Afterwards I want to convey my audience about the nowadays opinion about this modification and stand my hypothesis, as this assumption is the reason why I chose my topic.   
  (also mention the Ebsco Host articles)
* Skin diseases  
  getting a tattoo in a not perfectly sterilised surrounding can cause bad dermatologic issues  
  \*In my folio sheets I am going to explain how you can avoid those problems and talk about difficulties you have to consider before actual getting a tattoo. (add image of infected skin)
* Laser technique  
  \*briefly clarify how you get rid of such modifications (price, how it looks like afterwards, with images and the health issues) + interview with Mr Noble + images of his tattoo
* Communities opinion about tattoos  
  -> graphs of my surveys. The internet surveys and personal interviews are going to be the evidence of my research.  
  \*teachers as a role model with tattoos!?   
  \*advertisements with tattoos (images)
* My personal opinion about tattoos
* My own tattoo  
  after researching around this topic, feeling confident about my design, I want to get my own tattoo (allow a grasp through the process of my design and why I fell those decisions)